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Dear Consumer Protection Agency Staff,

I am writing to you as a concerned citizen in regards to Genetically Engineered Foods, docket #ooP-1211/Cpi, and H.R. 3377.

I ask that all foods be labeled in order to give us a choice as this is constitutional. I believe the requirements for safety testing and nutritional content should also apply to G.E. foods since anything eaten can't help but affect our bodies. Please consider and declare a moratorium on all new G.E. foods until their affect on human health and the environment is known. This would give time for the pre-marketing safety testing that should be mandatory for all G.E. foods.

I am a vegetarian and do not want to eat a tomato that has had the gene of a fish inserted into it. At this point this can be done without my knowledge, and is gross to me.

My only option seems to be to buy organic food, which I thankfully reassure myself is the fastest growing food market in the U.S.

I am deeply concerned and perplexed that milk contaminated with rBGH is not labeled, so that I can know how I am spending my hard earned money, and what is going into my family member's bodies. Who would knowingly pour drink for their children that has the potential to poison and harm them. Why are we not given a choice? If there is nothing to hide, then label it. Just because something can be done does not mean it should be done, and if it can't be done in the open then, in most cases (except, of course, in matters of national defense), it probably should not be done at all. Especially when the only reason to hide it is to protect a chemical companies' financial interest. Thank you.

Sincerely,
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